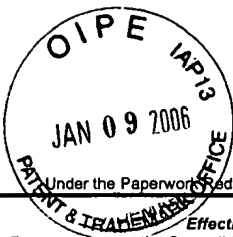


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EXAMINING GROUP

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER				Docket No. 0649-0753P																																											
Application No. 09/617,086-Conf. #5579		Filing Date July 14, 2000		Examiner L. S. Lao																																											
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Applicant(s): Masahiro TSUJISHITA et al.																																															
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<p>MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</p> <p>Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.</p> <table border="1"><thead><tr><th colspan="6">CLAIMS AS AMENDED</th></tr><tr><th></th><th>Claims Remaining After Amendment</th><th>Highest Number Previously Paid</th><th>Number Extra Claims Present</th><th>Rate</th><th></th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Total Claims</td><td>20</td><td>- 20 =</td><td></td><td>x</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Independent Claims</td><td>3</td><td>- 3 =</td><td></td><td>x</td><td></td></tr><tr><td colspan="5">Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/></td><td></td></tr><tr><td colspan="5">Other fee (please specify): Extension for response within first month</td><td>120.00</td></tr><tr><td colspan="5">TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:</td><td>120.00</td></tr></tbody></table> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large Entity <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for this amendment.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. <u>02-2448</u> in the amount of \$ _____ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ <u>120.00</u> to cover the filing fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. <u>02-2448</u> as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Credit any overpayment.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.</p> <p><u>Michael K. Mutter</u> Attorney Reg. No.: 29,680</p> <p>BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP 8110 Gatehouse Road Suite 100 East P.O. Box 747 Falls Church, Virginia 22040-0747 (703) 205-8000</p> <p>Dated: <u>January 9, 2006</u></p>						CLAIMS AS AMENDED							Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate		Total Claims	20	- 20 =		x		Independent Claims	3	- 3 =		x		Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>						Other fee (please specify): Extension for response within first month					120.00	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:					120.00
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FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2005		Complete if Known	
		Application Number	09/617,086-Conf. #5579
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Filing Date	July 14, 2000
		First Named Inventor	Masahiro TSUJISHITA
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)		Examiner Name	L. S. Lao
		Art Unit	2644
		Attorney Docket No.	0649-0753P

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

☒ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Money Order ☐ None ☐ Other (please identify): _____

☐ Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 02-2448 Deposit Account Name: Birch, Stewart, Kolasch & Birch, LLP

For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below ☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee

☒ Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayment of fee(s) under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 ☒ Credit any overpayments

FEE CALCULATION

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

Fee Description	Small Entity	
	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	
20	- 20 =	x	=	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)		
3	- 3 =	x	=		

3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)	
Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): 1251 Extension for response within first month	120.00
	Fees Paid (\$)

SUBMITTED BY			
Signature	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	29,680	Telephone (703) 205-8000
Name (Print/Type)	Michael K. Mutter	Date	January 9, 2006